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For: COTTON CANDY MAKING APPARATUS

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's non-final Office Action dated August 1, 2003, kindly cancel claims 3 and 8, and amend the specification and claims 1, 4, 5, and 7 as indicated below. This Response is submitted in the Revised Format mentioned in the *Official Gazette* on February 25, 2003 and modified on June 30, 2003.

IN THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 8 with:

When used, a power supply plug at a distal end of a ~~[[code]]~~ cord extending from the apparatus main body is inserted into a plug socket, and the power supply switch is turned on. Then, the rotary pot is heated by the heater and at the same time starts to turn at high speed. In this state, the rotary pot is pre-heated for a predetermined length of time so as to increase the temperature of the rotary pot and thereafter an amount of sugar which is required for making a single cotton candy is measured with a measuring spoon provided as an accessory and is introduced into the rotary port from an introduction port in an upper portion of the rotary pot. The sugar so introduced is heated in the interior of the rotary pot so as to be molten into something like syrup, and the molten syrup is discharged in the fiber-like form from slits formed in the circumferential wall of the rotary pot by virtue of centrifugal force generated when the rotary pot turns, whereby a cotton candy is made.

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 41 line 2 (the Abstract of the Disclosure) with:

In a cotton candy making apparatus with a removable tray ~~according to the present invention~~, a main power supply switch and an auxiliary switch are provided. The main power supply switch is locked by being rotated in a predetermined direction while being depressed. Contacts of the auxiliary switch are closed when the tray is properly attached to a main body of the apparatus. ~~Thus, it is constructed such that power is not supplied to the apparatus by the main power supply switch unless the contacts of the auxiliary switch are closed.~~ Carbon or alloy brushes are used for brush

devices for supplying electric current to a heater for a rotary pot, and the carbon brushes are each biased in a slip ring direction with a spring in a brush holder. In addition, a A cover for the rotary pot is provided which is constructed so as to be assembled to and disassembled from the rotary pot, ~~without using machine screws or nuts,~~ by rotating the same cover. Furthermore, a A translucent tray is ~~made from a material having translucency,~~ and light emitting portions are provided on the main body of the apparatus for illuminating cotton candies ~~which are being made~~ within the tray.